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...serving Chicago, Blue Island, Cicero, Calumet Park, Palos, and Norwood, Stickney and Worth Townships.

Scouters and Parents

All Invited to the Big Pot Luck Dinner

Saturday, January 28th, 1961, is the big day. It starts at 6:30 P.M. at the International Amphitheater, W. 42nd St. and Halsted Street.



Downing B. Jenks

3600 enthusiastic people.

Downing B. Jenks, Council Executive Board member and President of the Rock Island Railroad, will be Chairman of the Pot Luck Dinner Committee. He headed up last year's outstanding Pot Luck Dinner which was attended by a sell-out crowd of

Reserve Your Tables Early

Each Unit can reserve one or more tables for their Leaders, parents, and friends. A word of caution: get your reservations in early to be sure of getting space. Last year hundreds were disappointed because the tables were sold out far in advance of the date of the Dinner.

Tables will seat ten people. The cost per table is \$7.50, which must be paid at time table is reserved. Each group sitting at a table (or tables if they want to get together) will plan their own menu and bring their own food, table decorations, eating utensils, plates, etc. Usually one of the ladies is selected to head this up and assign what part of the meal will be supplied by each couple in the party.

December 15th is the magic deadline date. All reservations made by this date will be seated by District groups in the same area. After this date tables will have to be assigned first come, first served, as long as they last, in whatever locations are left.

To reserve your table or tables, mail check to Mr. Downing Jenks, Chicago Council, B. S. A., 9 West Washington St., Chicago 2, Ill. You can get reservation cards for this purpose from your Neighborhood Commissioner or District officials, but the card is not necessary if you include your name, Unit number, number of tables you want, District name, and check for \$7.50 for each table.

Interesting Program Planned

The program will feature a dramatic presentation ceremony at which the Silver Beaver Awards for Distinguished Service to Boyhood will be conferred on those specially selected Chicago Council

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Scouters who are outstanding in their accomplishments for the benefit of boyhood in this area. This is a National Award, restricted to a small number of men each year.

There will also be an outstanding guest speaker. This year it is Dr. Gunnar H. Berg, National Director of Training of the Boy Scouts of America. He is famous for his entertaining and inspiring talks. Many who have heard him at National Scout events will want to hear him again. His stories of boys and leaders in Scouting hold his audiences spellbound.

Chance to Honor Unit Leader

Parents and Committees will want to—as many did last year—present a scroll or in some way recognize your Unit Leader and his wife for their unselfish service to your boys. Many Units invited these two important people to be their guests. Some presented them with home made crowns, and dubbed them "King and Queen" for the night.

Suggestions Available

Detailed suggestions for making this an outstanding event in your Unit, are available at the Scout Service Center at 9 West Washington St.—or from your District officials.

Special Summer Camp

Plans Being Made

For 50th Anniversary

The Chicago Council will mark its 50th anniversary of summer camping in 1961 with special Golden Jubilee celebrations as part of the program of each camping period at all of the Council operated camps. Special camp program features are being planned to commemorate the 50 year anniversary.

The Council Camping Committee, under the leadership of chairman Thomas M. Thomas, has developed new wide range plans whereby every Scout and Explorer in the Chicago Council may have an opportunity to attend one or more of the Council camps in 1961. These plans are explained in an article on page 2 of the COUNCILER.



Thomas M. Thomas

Special Items Available

Special 50th anniversary of camping T-shirts, emblems and other souvenir items will be available to 1961 summer campers.

Leaders Treks Planned

Leaders treks will be organized in each District, to visit one or more of the camps with special programs arranged.

Leaders who participate in these treks or who spend at least 24 hours in camp during the 1961 summer camp season will be able to purchase one of the Golden Jubilee camp emblems. Meals for leaders coming to camp may be obtained at the usual rate of \$2.50 per day.

Started in 1911

Summer camping in the Chicago Council had its beginning in 1911 on a 30 acre piece of property donated by the businessmen of Whitehall, Michigan. From this small start it has grown to its present proportions in several locations.

This issue of the COUNCILER is being mailed 3 days later than our normal schedule in order to give all Units the benefit of prompt information on the new Camp plans. We had to wait until after the meeting of the Camping Committee, at which time these plans were discussed and approved.



Between Us—

By
Hal
Rush

The new plans for summer camping in 1961, just announced by our Council Camping Committee, seem so excellent to me that I'd like to use my space this month to present them to all Units on behalf of the Camping Committee.

Take Your Choice of Six Camping Plans

Plan One — Regular Troops

The camp provides tents, bunks, all meals, program equipment, camp commissioner staff, merit badge counselors, fully equipped water-front with boats, canoes, and waterfront supervision. Unit provides adult leadership.

*Camper Fee
Per Period*

Camp Kiwanis (Daily Rate \$2.50).....	\$16.50
Camps West, Beard (Daily Rate \$3.00).....	\$19.50
Stuart, Blackhawk	

Plan Two — Provisional Troops

The camp provides everything in plan one plus adult leadership for your unit.

*Camper Fee
Per Period*

Camp Kiwanis (Daily Rate \$3.00).....	\$20.00
Camps West, Beard (Daily Rate \$3.50).....	\$23.00
Stuart, Blackhawk	

Plan Three — Adirondack Shelters

The camp provides adirondack shelters with bunks, kitchen-dining units, all meals hot packed and delivered to the troop site, merit badge counselors, fully equipped waterfront with boats, canoes and supervision. Unit provides adult leadership.

*Camper Fee
Per Period*

Camp Wilderness (Daily Rate \$2.40).....	\$15.75
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Plan Four — Troop Tentage

The camp provides all meals hot packed and delivered to the Troop site, merit badge counselors, fully equipped waterfront with boats, canoes, and waterfront supervision. The unit provides its own tentage, bunks, and adult leadership.

*Camper Fee
Per Period*

Camp Wilderness (Daily Rate \$1.90).....	\$12.25
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Plan Five — Troop Cooking

The camp provides adirondack shelters with bunks, kitchen-dining units, merit badge counselors, fully equipped waterfront with boats, canoes, and waterfront supervision. Unit provides adult leadership, its own food, and food preparation.

*Camper Fee
Per Period*

Camp Wilderness (Daily Rate \$.75).....	\$4.65
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Plan Six — Lone Troop

The camp provides tentage, bunks, kitchen-dining unit, waterfront dock, 2 boats, 2 canoes. Unit provides adult leadership, qualified waterfront supervision and additional facilities needed, merit badge counselors, its own food and food preparation.

*Camper Fee
Per Period*

Hiawatha Beach and (Daily Rate \$.55).....	\$3.25
Bass Lake Camp.	

Seven Districts Make Honor Roll in August

It is a fine honor to make an outstanding record in giving service. That's what the Districts listed below have done. District Committees, District Commissioner Staffs, Unit Leaders, Den Mothers—all Scouters in the District can take a bow for this outstanding Honor Roll achievement.

No Dropped Units

Lake Shore District, 6 consecutive months; Marquette District, 6 consecutive months.

Net Gain in Units

Southwest District, 32 consecutive months; Fort Dearborn District, 21 consecutive months; Lincoln Park District, 21 consecutive months; South Central District, 21 consecutive months.

Net Gain in Boys

South Central District, 21 consecutive months; Greater Roseland District, 15 consecutive months; Fort Dearborn District, 14 consecutive months; Lake Shore District, 8 consecutive months; Marquette District, 4 consecutive months.

Camping Information For 1961 Planning

In plans just announced by the Council Camping Committee a new package of camping opportunities awaits Chicago Council Scouts and Explorers for the 1961 summer camping season. Camp Kiwanis at Willow Springs and West, Beard, Stuart, Blackhawk, Wilderness, Bass Lake and Hiawatha Beach at Owasippe, Michigan, will be open for eight periods from July 1, 1961 to August 26. Any Unit or individual boy can camp at any of these camps for any number of days or weeks. Regular camp periods will open on Saturday afternoon and close the following Saturday morning. Units and individual campers may remain for as many periods or days as they desire.

Camp Fees

The Kiwanis fee provides for 20 meals starting with supper on the opening Saturday and ending with breakfast on the closing Saturday. The Owasippe fees (on plans in which meals are provided) include 21 meals starting with supper on the opening Saturday and ending with lunch on the closing Saturday. (All camp fees include 7 cents per day for Camper Health and Accident Insurance.)

Each camp and plan has a weekly and daily rate. If a Unit or camper attends for less than a full period, the daily rate applies. For any odd number of days over one or more full periods, the daily rate also applies.

Reservation Priorities

Until November 15, reservations will be accepted only from troops which previously camped at one of the Chicago Council Long-Term summer camps in 1960. From November 15 to February 1, reservations will be accepted from any Troop or Explorer Unit which desires to spend one week or more under its own leadership at one of the Council camps. After February 1 any remaining space may be reserved by any Unit, Patrol or individual boy for any type of long-term camping. A Scout whose Troop is unable to go to camp can register for a provisional Troop. However, assignment of Scouts to provisional Units will be made to specific camps where vacancies are available after February 1st, 1961.

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Advisor Wins Honor

George M. Bivens, Explorer Advisor of Post 1211, Fort Dearborn District, was awarded the Emerald Scouter pin for registration of his Unit with a minimum of 15 Explorer members. Welcome, George, to the ranks of Unit Leaders honored with this special recognition.

How to Register

Declaration of intent can be made by any unit anytime from now on but \$20.00 reservation fee must be paid by the unit at the time it makes its actual camp reservation. An individual boy registering must pay a \$5.00 reservation fee. These fees are transferable, but not refundable. They apply toward the total camp fee.

Before February 1 a \$10.00 per Scout partial payment must be made for each boy for whom the Unit desires space. The balance of each boy's camp fee is due June 1st.

Limited Space

Units are urged to make reservations early and pay registration fees on schedule in order to avoid disappointment.

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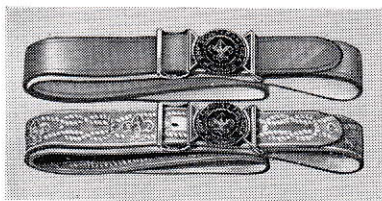
INSIGNIA POSTERS

Add Scouting spirit to your unit meeting place, roundtable, or workshop with these 9 3/8" x 13 1/4" posters. They make wonderful backdrops for all indoor events. Each set includes all insignia of the program beautifully lithographed in full color. Posters printed on heavy paper stock or cardboard.

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No. 4751 Boy Scout (6) cardboard.....90¢
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One of these belts goes to each Unit Leader whose registration on Dec. 31, 1960 is 5 or more boys greater than on Dec. 31, 1959.

Welcome to New Units

Unit District Sponsoring Institution
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of Chicago
3794 Greater Roseland Group of Citizens

A Personal Invitation

May Influence a Life

You and the boys in your Unit can earn Awards and perform a great "good turn" by inviting boys to be members of your unit in the Fall Roundup.

One of the great thrills in the life of a boy is to become a Scout. To make this thrill come true for the boys in your area, plan a program to insure that every eligible boy in your neighborhood is invited to join.

Program Ideas

Why not plan right away to have a Pack Rally or a "Let's Look Ahead" night program for your Troop or an Explorer Guest Night. You can find ideas on how to conduct these meetings in your fall program quarterly. They'll not only give your prospective recruits an idea of what the Scouting program is, but they'll serve as real stem winders to get your fall program off to a good start.

The success of any recruiting drive is to see that boys are properly invited. One of the best ways to invite boys to join Scouting is to have another boy invite them. To help you and your boys tell others about Scouting, some fine tools have been developed and are available at the Trading Post. These are in kits known as a Pack Recruiting Plan (PRP) Kit and the Troop Recruiting Plan (TRP) Kit. They include birthday cards which



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August 31st Membership Report 1960

Districts	Total Units Aug. '59	Aug. '60	Gain or Loss	Total Boys Aug. '59	Aug. '60	% Gain or Loss
Fort Dearborn	34	40	+ 6	724	973	+34.3%
Lake Shore	35	49	+14	670	864	+29.0%
Greater Roseland	110	112	+ 2	2662	2748	+ 3.2%
South Central	131	143	+12	2408	2476	+ 2.8%
Marquette	38	41	+ 3	1024	1029	+ .5%
Pioneer Trails	52	49	- 3	1269	1268	- .1%
Lincoln Park	44	52	+ 8	1196	1181	- 1.2%
Burr Oak	51	51	—	1598	1575	- 1.4%
Calumet	49	49	—	1540	1507	- 2.1%
Indian Boundary	98	94	- 4	3208	3135	- 2.2%
Southwest	93	94	+ 1	3123	3031	- 2.9%
Forest	76	77	+ 1	3047	2955	- 3.0%
Pathfinder	74	74	—	1947	1881	- 3.4%
South Shore	66	63	- 3	1786	1715	- 3.9%
Cicero	44	43	- 1	1152	1104	- 4.1%
Frontier	62	63	+ 1	1676	1554	- 7.2%
Portage	61	58	- 3	1713	1586	- 7.4%
Midwest	42	42	—	1274	1175	- 7.7%
Arrowhead	78	74	- 4	2253	2073	- 7.9%
Tri-Ridge	79	76	- 3	2590	2348	- 9.3%
Thunderbird	103	104	+ 1	2680	2419	- 9.7%
Southtown	46	44	- 2	1314	1177	-10.5%
Austin	45	46	+ 1	1497	1339	-10.6%
Trailblazer	53	50	- 3	1826	1557	-14.7%
Stockyards	62	53	- 9	1804	1528	-15.2%
Chicago Council	1626	1641	+15	45,981	44,198	- 3.8%
Inner City Project*	17	43	+26	329	848	+257.7%

*These figures are included in district totals above

have the dual purpose of congratulating a boy on becoming Scout age and inviting him to your Unit's next meeting. There are also leaflets for boys and parents which explain what Scouting is.

Develop Prospects

There are several ways to find out who in your neighborhood is eligible to become a Cub, Scout or Explorer. One is to have each of the boys in your Unit invite every boy in his block who is not a Scout. Another is to check with your sponsoring

institution to get a list of all the boys in the institution who are of Scout age.

For additional prospects you may be able to get lists (or conduct surveys) at other institutions in your neighborhood such as schools, churches, synagogues, boys' clubs.

Awards For All

Every boy who recruits another for Scouting will satisfy one of the requirements for the 50th Anniversary Achievement Award.

Chicago Joins in

National Good Turn

Chicago Council Scouts will join with brother Scouts from all over America on October 29 to place door knob hangers on all American homes urging adult citizens to vote in the November 8th elections.

The City of Chicago, Blue Island, Cicero and Worth Township Fire Departments are cooperating by providing distribution points for each of our 25 districts. Door knob hangers will be distributed to each of the distribution points through the courtesy of the Amstadter Storage and Van Co.

District officials are assigning areas for each Unit to cover. The hangers may be picked up at your district's distribution point between Oct. 19 and 22 or at District meetings. Watch your district bulletin for further details.

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Progress Report on Campaign for Camp

The tempo of our Camp Capital Campaign is beginning to step up in anticipation of the all-out effort to come later this fall. To date, according to campaign officials, the total has reached \$730,000 from a relatively small number of gifts.

Plans have been completed and dates set for the balance of the effort which will begin mid-November.

Currently in solicitation in the advanced gifts phase of the campaign are seven sections of the advanced gifts and major gifts divisions. Three additional sections are scheduled to begin work immediately after the Community Fund effort.



Wayne Johnston

Directly following these three kick offs, the Scout Family Division will see action starting December 3 and 10. Council President Wayne A. Johnston will serve as Chairman of this Division. He is President of the Illinois Central Railroad. With the Scout Family in solicitation the Public phase will move out in mid-December among the twenty five districts of the Council.

Help Wanted

R. Douglas Stuart, general chairman of the campaign and honorary president of the Chicago Council, has issued a call to all Scouters of the units to take an active part in this great campaign which will

insure adequate camping facilities for the years to come.

Teams of men and women from every institution, every troop, pack and post are gearing up their teams to contact the 17,000 Scouters and 50,000 parents of Scouts for their support in dollars.

Scout Family Kick Offs

There will be four big area Scout Family kick offs. Plan to save these dates:

Area A—Saturday morning, December 3, 1960 (Fort Dearborn, Lincoln Park, Pioneer Trails, Thunderbird, Trailblazer and Midwest Districts).

Area C—Saturday morning, December 3, 1960 (Calumet, Greater Roseland, Lake Shore, South Central, South Shore, Tri-Ridge Districts).

Area B—Saturday morning, December 10, 1960, (Austin, Arrowhead, Frontier, Indian Boundary, Portage, and Pathfinder Districts).

Area D—Saturday morning, December 10, 1960 (Burr Oak, Cicero, Forest, Marquette, Southtown, Southwest, and Stockyard Districts).

Every unit will be represented at one of these kick offs—we all know why they will be there. They are doing their "good turn" to the boys who are Scouts now and those of future generations. Each unit is helping to build its own Scout camps.

This is the first Camp Capital Campaign in the Chicago Council's history. It's going to be successful because we are all going to pitch in and do our "fair share."

You Can Do This

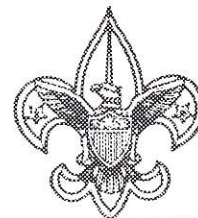
You can insure a camping experience for all Scouts for many years to come by doing these three things:

1. Appoint your Unit Team Captain.

2. Organize your team on the basis of one worker to seven Scout families. Report your team when organized to your Commissioner.

3. All unit leadership and unit committee members pledge to the campaign before soliciting each Scout family. (When you have made your pledge, you'll do a better job of asking others.)

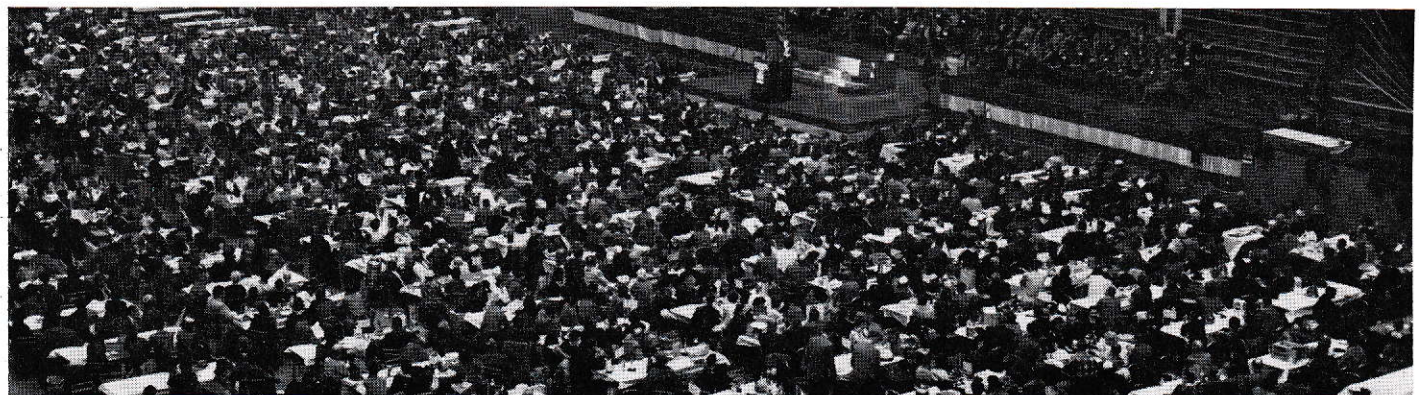
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